

Registration of Birth and Birth Certificate:

- Applicant's parents must appear and sign on BI-73 form.
- A duly completed BI-24 (Notice of Birth) and BI-154 (application for birth certificate).
- Foreign Birth Certificate - A duly completed BI-529 (Citizenship Questionnaire with regard to parent(s) being of South African Nationality at the time of Birth
- Copy of Marriage Certificate of parents
- Issuing of first document: free of charge
- Cost of reissuing unabridged birth certificate is 158 baht.

The following information must be contained in Form BI-24

1. Surname:

- If the parents are legally married, the child must be registered in the father's surname.
- The wife's maiden name may not be hyphenated with the father's surname to form a new surname.
- If the child is born out of wedlock and the biological father acknowledges the child as his own, the father and the mother must complete BI-24 and the child can be registered in the father's surname. A sworn affidavit that the father is the biological father is not acceptable.
- If such a child is born abroad and registered in the father's name, the father must still acknowledge fatherhood on BI-24.
- The names and date of birth must be completed in full on BI-24.
- South African Identity numbers to identify the parents are important. If the parents do not have ID numbers, dates of birth must be provided.
- Parent's details must be completed on BI-24 as at the time of birth. Even if one of the parents is deceased after the birth of the child, the form must still contain the particulars of both parents. If the mother remarried after the birth, the BI-24 must still be completed as at the time of birth.
- Children over the age of 21 can sign the form themselves.

2. Foreign Birth Certificate:

- A good quality copy can be submitted. If the certificate is written in a foreign language, it must be translated into English. Translation has to be taken to the Legalization Division of Consular Affairs Department at the country of birth.

3. BI-529:

- Citizenship questionnaire regarding the nationality of the parents at birth.
 - This form must be completed as detailed as possible.
 - Dates of when the parents left South Africa and whether permanently or temporary are very important.
- ### **4. Marriage Certificate:**
- Marriage Certificate of parents even if they are divorced.